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RESPONSE

Responsive to the Office Action of December 3, 2002, Applicants wish to reply as follows:

In the claims:

Please add new claims 26-35 to read as follows:

Claim 26 (New) A rollable, mineral wool, insulation material sheet for insulation of roofs, said insulation material sheet having markings distributed over a length of said insulation material sheet which provide a guide for making oblique cuts with respect to the longitudinal axis of the insulation material sheet, said markings being arranged in a repetitive manner and being defined according to at least one definition selected from the group consisting of:

(a) each said marking being defined by at least one oblique line segment extending in an oblique direction with respect to the longitudinal axis of said insulation material sheet;

(b) each said marking being defined by at least one parallel line segment extending in a direction parallel to the longitudinal axis of the insulation material sheet, said parallel line segments being arranged in rows and defining endpoints wherein at least three endpoints from parallel line segments in adjacent rows are collinear so that they can be connected together to define a line having an oblique angle with respect to the longitudinal axis of the insulation sheet material; and